

**In the specification:**

On page 12, line 24, to page 13, line 11, please amend paragraph [0043] as follows:

[0043] In general, clip 410 comprises a shape memory member 401, which can have a closed memory set configuration as shown for example in FIG. 4F, and coils or biasing members 407 positioned therearound to urge or bias the clip member toward an open configuration when the coils are compressed. Clips comprising shape memory members surrounded by coils that move toward an open configuration when the coils are compressed are described in the following U.S. Patent, Patent Applications, and Patent Publications all of which are incorporated herein in their entirety: U.S. Pat. Nos. 6,514,265, 6,607,541, 6,613,059 and 6,641,593, [[application Ser. Nos. 09/090,305 and 09/089,884, both entitled Tissue Connector Apparatus and Methods and filed Jun. 3, 1998, and Ser. No. 09/260,623, entitled Tissue Connector Apparatus and Methods, and Ser. No. 09/259,705, entitled Tissue Connector Apparatus With Cable Release, both filed Mar. 1, 1999, and U.S. Patent Application Publication Nos. 2002-0010490, entitled Tissue Connector Apparatus and Methods,]] and Published U.S. Pat. Appl. No. 2001-0018592, entitled Bridge Clip Tissue Connector Apparatus and Methods. Also incorporated herein are PCT publications WO 99/62409, which [[and]] corresponds to International Application No. PCT/US99/12563, which claims priority to [[the above mentioned]] U.S. Pat. Appl. Ser. Nos. 09/090,305 and 09/259,705, and WO 99/62406, which corresponds to International Application No. PCT/US99/12566, which claims priority to [[above mentioned]] U.S. Pat. Appl. Ser. Nos. 09/089,884 and 09/260,623. Both WO 99/62409 and WO 99/62406 published on Dec. 9, 1999.